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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: Working Party on European Free Trade Association (EFTA)

Date: 6 February 2024

Time: 14:30

Venue: COUNCIL

JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING

Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

1. EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA

1.1 EU- LIECHTENSTEIN RELATIONS

Orientation debate on the relations between the EU and the Principality of Liechtenstein, in preparation of the Council conclusions on a homogeneous extended single market and EU relations with Non-EU Western European countries and with the Faroe Islands. The debate will be preceded by an informal meeting of the members of the EFTA Working party with His Excellency Pascal Schafhauser, Ambassador, Head of Mission of Liechtenstein to the European Union.

1.2 Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms (Act in Support of Ammunition Production - ASAP)

Presentation by the Commission and examination by the EFTA Working Party with a view to finding an agreement.

1.3 Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms (European defense industry reinforcement through common procurement act – EDIRPA)

Presentation by the Commission and examination by the EFTA Working Party with a view to finding an agreement.

2. SWISS CONFEDERATION

EU-Switzerland relations

*Discussion on the proposal for a new negotiating mandate with Switzerland
ST 17059/23 + ADD1*

3. AOB

The Commission will debrief the EFTA Working Party on the EEA Joint Committee meeting held on 2 February 2024.

NB: Delegations are asked to submit their requests for "other business" items to the General Secretariat, efta@consilium.europa.eu , in writing by **Monday, 5 February 2024, 12.00 (noon)**.
